

**NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS  
121 S. FRUIT ST.  
CONCORD, NH 03301-2412**

**MEETING MINUTES – March 3, 2014**

The March 3, 2014 meeting of the New Hampshire Board of Dental Examiners was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Stacy Plourde, RDH with the following members present:

Stacy A. Plourde, RDH, President  
Charles Albee, DMD, Vice President  
Carolyn Hartnett, RDH  
Tara Levesque-Vogel, DMD  
Lynn Joslyn, Public Member  
A. Joseph Williams, III, DDS  
Arthur D. McKibbin, Jr. DMD  
Marshall Baldassarre, DMD  
Nilfa Collins, DMD

Absent:           None

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

Note: All votes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

1.     The Board voted to approve the Board minutes of February 3, 2014 as amended.
2.     The Board discussed the possibility of changing the times and/or dates of its meetings. The Board voted for the meetings to start at 3:00 p.m., with the goal being to end the meetings at 6:00 p.m. The Board voted not to provide dinner at the meetings. (Dr. Williams abstained).
3.     Hygienists Committee -
  - a.     The Committee recommended that it look into the issue of whether Public Health Status and school based registered dental hygienists should be able to write scripts for fluoridated toothpaste.
  - b.     Minutes of the February 3, 2014 meeting, as amended, were accepted.
4.     Hygienists' Association comments - None.
5.     NH Dental Society comments - On March 14, 2014, the Society is presenting a CE on Local Anesthesia and Sedation at the Grappone Center in Concord. On April 4, 2014, in Plymouth, the Society is co-sponsoring a presentation on oral health needs of New Hampshire residents and the new dental centers that are part of the federal grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration. Pre-registration is required. NHDS website has more information on this program. The Society also conducted an email

survey with respect to the interest in EFDA and received a very positive response to this new position. The NHDS is also working with NHTI on implementing training programs for both the EFDA and the Certified Public Health Hygienist.

6. Administrative Rules and Legislation -

- a. Board members were provided a copy of HB 1368 relating to consideration of criminal records for occupational and professional licensing, and voted to take no position on this bill.
- b. The Board reviewed the second draft of the administrative rules and made comments and suggestions.

7. Northeast Board of Dental Examiners (NERB) -

The Board determined that it will not be necessary for Dr. McKibbin to attend the Steering Committee meeting in June, 2014.

8. Board Office Comments -

- a. The Board has received responses from 6 dentists who are willing to act as expert volunteer reviewers. The Board will obtain their CVs to review.
- b. The Board discussed setting a date after which agenda items will be included in the next month's agenda.
- c. The Board agreed that informational public items may be emailed to members and not copied for the agenda packets.
- d. The Executive Secretary advised the Board that she revised the letter and documentation to be sent to expert volunteer reviewers once they have accepted a case to review.
- e. The Executive Secretary advised the Board that she will arrange with OIT to allow Board members to be able to make notes on the documents uploaded to the FTP secure site.

9. The Board voted to inform Dr. Huntley that it referred his question re: the issue of whether Public Health Status and school based registered dental hygienists should be able to write scripts for fluoridated toothpaste to the Hygienists Committee for review.

10. The Board reviewed NovaSom's email of February 11, 2014, asking if dentists are permitted to submit orders to sleep centers when they suspect a patient may have obstructive sleep apnea. The Board determined that it is within the scope of practice of NH dentists.

### **LICENSURE AND REPORTS**

11. **DENTIST APPLICATIONS APPROVED –**

Brad Beaudoin, DMD  
Robert Brandt, DDS  
Pankaj Thakker, DMD  
Jennifer Lee, DMD

12. HYGIENIST APPLICATIONS APPROVED –  
Leah Merrill, RDH  
Jaime O'Brien, RDH
13. PUBLIC HEALTH SUPERVISION PROGRAMS – The Board voted to approve the applications of dental program approval under public health supervision for:
  - a. Ageless Smiles
  - b. Concord Hospital Family Health Center Dental Clinic
  - c. POH Senior Program
  - d. WIC – Pay for Prevention Project
14. ANESTHESIA/SEDATION PERMITS – The Board voted to approve applications for general anesthesia/deep sedation permits for:
  - a. Steven Doyle, DMD, for the Tilton location of Aspen Dental, pending the new location facility inspection.
  - b. Gary Hammond, DDS, pending a facility inspection.
15. ANESTHESIA/SEDATION EVALUATION –
  - a. The Board voted to approve the facility inspection of Paul Mathew, DDS.

Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, the Board voted to go into non-public session by roll call vote because public disclosure may have rendered a proposed action ineffective or adversely affected the reputation of a person other than a Board member.